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Winnipeg Blue Bomber Odell Willis celebrates a sack on the Saskatchewan Roughriders' Darian Durant in Winnipeg on Sept. 11, 2011. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Mayor of Swaggerville' booked for DUI

CFL. Riders acquired the defensive lineman last month in exchange for draft picks

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Roughriders defensive lineman and "Mayor of Swaggerville" Odell Willis was charged with one count of driving under the influence in Georgia, the team announced Thursday.

"It has been brought to our attention that Odell was charged with one count of driving under the influence," said general manager Brendan Taman in a statement. "We have spoken with Odell and are gathering as much information as possible into the incident.

"Odell and the Roughrider organization are taking this matter very seriously and we won't comment any further until the legal process has run its course."

According to records from the Delkab County Sheriff's Office, Willis was arrested in the city of Dunwoody, Ga., booked at 5:09 a.m. on April 9 and released the same day at 8:12 p.m.

The Riders acquired Willis in March from the Winnipeg Blue Bombers in exchange for draft picks.

Willis, who stands six-foot-two and weighs 255 pounds, is from Mississippi and played college ball with West Georgia. He first played in the CFL with the Calgary Stampeders in 2009 after signing as a free agent.

Last season he earned 27 tackles and 13 quarterback sacks and was named an East Division and CFL all-star.

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Odell Willis' mug shot. DELKAB COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Double Dutch no prob for this pooch

You'd think having four legs would trip him up, but Geronimo – a.k.a. the Double Dutch Dog – somehow manages to hop, skip and leap through some tough jump-rope activity. Watch at metronews.ca

Mobile news

Apple releases security update to combat FlashFake virus that hit 600,000 Mac users. But some critics say it's too little, too late. Scan the code for the story

Paramedics in Saskatoon delivered a healthy baby girl on the side of the road on Thursday morning. CONTRIBUTED/MD AMBULANCE

Whoa, Nellie — baby on board!

Something in the water? Baby delivered on Thursday was the third infant born on highway in past six weeks

Roadside attraction

"Your adrenalin's going because you're basically bringing a life into the world."

Troy Davies, MD Ambulance spokesman, on early roadside deliveries

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Signs of spring and new life are popping up along the highways around Saskatoon — especially for paramedics, who delivered three healthy babies in recent weeks.

Paramedics delivered the most recent arrival, a healthy baby girl, at about 3 a.m. on Thursday, said Troy Davies, spokesman for MD Ambulance.

"They started transporting this patient to the Royal University Hospital in the ambulance and realized they weren't going to make it, so they pulled over on the corner of Highway 16 and Boychuk (Drive) and delivered the baby in the back of the ambulance," he said.

"Fortunately, mother and baby are both happy and healthy," he added.

Six days before, paramedics delivered another baby, at Highway 11 and Circle Drive, also in the wee hours.

"A couple was driving into town and couldn't quite make it," Davies said.

"And when we had blizzard-type conditions (on March 6), we delivered a baby on Highway 12 from a couple from Biggar.

"It's kind of funny how things work," he added. "We won't do one for half a year, and then we do three in about a month and a half."

Davies said the roadside births are more than just a day's work for paramedics — it's a life-changing experience.

"Your adrenalin's going because you're basically bringing a life into the world," he said. "It's why you'd want to be a paramedic. You see so much tragedy and heartache, it's a tough job to do, and delivering a baby is once in a lifetime and you'll never forget it."

Well, make that three in a lifetime.

Titanic. Great ship 'very alive': Scientist

When Dr. Roy Cullimore looks at the Titanic, he doesn't see a tragedy at the bottom of the ocean or even a love story made famous by James Cameron. He sees a living laboratory.

"I deal with the Titanic in a different way than most people. I look upon the Titanic as a living laboratory, not as a memorial," said Cullimore, a microbiologist and retired professor at the University of Regina.

As the world marks the 100th anniversary of the ship's sinking, Cullimore wants people to understand that the ship is, in fact, alive.

"It is very alive," Cullimore said. "What mother nature is doing is taking back what is hers in the first place. The cycle of returning it to nature is through rusticles."

Rusticles, what Cullimore describes as "rusty living concrete," have been the focus of his research since 1991. He took his first expedition to the ship in 1996 and has since completed six expeditions, including three dives.

Cullimore is the only scientist in the world who is allowed by law to take rusticles from the ship. It's a nice honour, he says, but it means nothing because there is no research money in rusticles.

Roy Cullimore shows a rusticle he harvested from the Titanic. Taken from the stern, this is the largest rusticle that has come off the ship.

NATASHA TERSIGNI/FOR METRO

Cullimore uses the profits from his company, which sells water-testing kits, to fund his Titanic research.

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Odell Willis

Did Roughriders lineman break team code with DUI charge?

If Odell Willis is found guilty of driving under the influence, he'll have broken not only Georgia's criminal code but also the code of the Riders.

The punishment for the latter isn't entirely clear.

Willis was arrested on Monday morning in Dunwoody, Ga., and charged with one count of DUI. He has not been convicted and is considered innocent until proved guilty.

The Saskatchewan Roughriders approved a code of conduct in 2007 and revised it in May 2011.

The most recent version says members of the football club are expected to obey the law at all times. They are also called on to be in control of their actions and to take responsibility for their actions.

But the punishment meted out for infractions of the code isn't clearly defined. It can range from counselling to suspension and even termination of employment.

Andrew Murie, chief executive of the Canadian chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, says a clear code of conduct is key to how an organization should handle a high-profile drunk-driving charge — especially when the person involved is a role model.

"If you have a code of conduct before this type of activity happens that clearly lays out what the organization is supposed to do, it would be team policy — if you get charged with impaired driving, we're going to release you," Murie said.

"A lot of times these codes of conduct say 'Obey the law,' but the person pleads not guilty and they drag out the court dates and before you know it, it goes under the radar and plea bargains out."

Ideally, Murie says, a code of conduct should say that once a player is charged, he is off the team until the matter is resolved. If found not guilty, the player would be welcomed back to the fold.

"They can't be on the team while this is overhanging," he said.

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Lorass Recycle preferred candidate for curbside recycling

City administration selected local company Lorass Recycle as the preferred proposal for mandatory curbside recycling in single-family homes.

"This service will not only expand the range of materials by including plastics, for example, that will be available to recycle in the city, but it makes it (accessible) for people at their curbsides," said Brenda Wallace, manager of environmental services.

It will be a bi-weekly service and residents will put all of their recyclables, without sorting, into a 96-gallon roll-out cart for pickup, she said.

Council is scheduled to vote on the staff recommendation at a meeting on April 16, which followed a request-for-proposal process. If the council approves, the city and Lorass will begin negotiations and the final price will be determined.

However, the staff report to council says the proposal's price was under the ceiling set by council of about $78 million over seven years, or about $4.25 per month per household — which will come out of utility bills.

Aaron Lorass said the service proposed will be very much like what the company currently offers to its clients.

"We're very delighted that the city has looked favourably on a local company," he said. "That means a lot to the employees at Lorass because we all live and work here."

JESSICA SMITH/METRO

Accident. Man dead after losing control of motorcycle

A 19-year-old man died in hospital after a motorcycle accident on Idylwyld Drive at the entrance of 8th Street East Wednesday evening

Police were called to the scene at roughly 7:50 p.m., the Saskatoon Police Service said in a release.

Collisions analysts from the SPS said that the lone rider of the motorcycle was about to exit Idylwyld Drive at 8th Street when he lost control of the motorcycle and struck a guardrail. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Climate change. Province fires back against report

Saskatchewan's environment minister is fuming about a report that says the province isn't taking climate change seriously.

Dustin Duncan says he's disappointed that the David Suzuki Foundation released the report without talking to the province about what it's doing to cut greenhouse-gas emissions.

The report classified Saskatchewan as a jurisdiction that doesn't take the issue seriously.

Duncan says the province has invested billions of dollars in technology such as carbon capture to reduce emissions from coal-fired power plants.

The report also criticizes the province for eliminating its Climate Change Secretariat and its Office of Energy Conservation.

Duncan says the secretariat was announced by the previous NDP government but never created. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Crime

Man admitted to hospital after possible stabbing

A 48-year-old man was admitted to Saskatoon's St. Paul's hospital Wednesday night with injuries from a "sharp-edged" weapon.

Police said the victim, whose injuries are not life-threatening, is not co-operating with police.

Alcohol may have been a factor in the possible stabbing as well as the man's refusal to co-operate, police said.

MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

$500K loan program

Ottawa gives young farmers financial boost

The federal government is offering young farmers loans of up to $500,000 to purchase or improve farmland and buildings.

Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz says the new Farm Credit Canada Young Farmer Loan program will help beginning farmers grow their businesses.

Ritz says young farmers are vital to the long-term prosperity of agriculture.

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Kim Hebig, director of the Wheatland Regional Library, poses with a computer that was bought with funding from CAP. She says recent cuts will mean older equipment for regional libraries and less access for the public. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Campaign to protest CAP cuts begins

Letter-writing. Library directors hold meeting to co-ordinate effort Thursday

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Directors of regional libraries from across the province held a meeting Thursday afternoon to co-ordinate a letter-writing campaign asking Prime Minister Stephen Harper to reverse cuts to the Community Access Program (CAP) that helps people access the web.

According to library administration, the amount of money that comes into Saskatchewan from CAP funding is roughly $421,000 and with the risk of losing that funding — usually used for updating technology and subsequent maintenance — directors are now speaking out.

Janet Smith, director of the Palliser Regional Library, said up to 317 libraries across the province will be speaking out against the federal government's decision.

"We're going to be writing letters to Mr. Harper, to Mr. (Christian) Paradis who heads Industry Canada and to all of our MLAs in Saskatchewan," said Smith. "We want them to work (with) us to remodel CAP into something beneficial for all."

Smith said unless libraries can come up with funding to replace the $421,000, technology they use for public access will quickly become outdated.

"For library computers, it means there are going to be places who can't replace aging equipment," said Smith.

Kim Hebig, director with the Wheatland Regional Library, said the cuts are "very significant" for her library, which operates 46 branches around Saskatoon, 29 of which are CAP branches.

"As it stands now, we have 29 CAP branches and that allows us to keep up with the most current computers for the public at all times. Without this money, we won't be able to be putting new computers in these libraries as frequently as we have been.

"We're going to be struggling to find the funds."

A letter obtained by CBC from Industry Canada said the federal government feels the program has fulfilled its purpose.

"CAP has contributed to bringing the computer and Internet technologies to Canadians across the country and has successfully achieved its objectives," read the letter.

"In these challenging fiscal times, the government remains committed to prioritizing expenditures and returning budget balance. CAP was scheduled to end on March 31 2012, and will not be renewed."

Tony Clement and president of the North Saskatoon Business Association, Alun Richards, at a luncheon Thursday. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

One-for-one rule will ease path for small businesses: Clement

MP Tony Clement, president of the Treasury Board, was in Saskatoon Thursday afternoon and said a new one-for-one rule will help cut red tape for small businesses.

Clement said the new process will see a regulation removed for every new regulation added, but explained the new process won't affect necessary regulations like that of health and safety.

"Whenever we're going to be looking at a regulation to include, we look long and hard about that regulation as a whole process, by cabinet ministers, by ministers on my Treasury Board," said Clement.

"The same sort of thing would occur if we were looking to remove a regulation — make sure that we're not affecting health and safety, making sure that it will not have unintended consequences.

"I can more-or-less guarantee to you that there are lots of regulations that are annoying for small businesses, add to their cost, that have no relevant public-policy benefit in today's day-and-age. Those are the kinds of things we want to root out."

Clement was in Saskatoon to speak at a North Saskatoon Business Association luncheon as part of a provincial tour. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Crown to appeal Graham James' 2-year sentence

Sex-abuse charges. Victims say sentence must send message to other perpetrators

Graham James arrives at court in Winnipeg in March. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Victims of Graham James say Manitoba's Justice Department is doing the "right thing" by appealing the two-year sentence handed to the former hockey coach who sexually abused two of his teenage players hundreds of times.

James was sentenced last month for sexually assaulting former NHL star Theo Fleury and his cousin, Todd Holt, when they played for him in the Western Hockey League in the 1980s and '90s. The sentence, handed down by Winnipeg Judge Catherine Carlson, prompted widespread outrage from both James' victims and the public.

Under the sentence, James could apply for parole and be released by the end of the year.

Holt said he had mixed emotions because he thought the James case was closed. But he said, overall, he's happy the sentence is being appealed.

"I think this is a decision made by all of us, every person out there who thought that the two-year sentence was awful," said Holt in an interview. "It was an embarrassment. It was a travesty. If people are trying to correct that, it would be great."

Even if the appeal isn't successful, Holt said it sends an important message to other child molesters and victims.

"This is an eye-opener for a lot of perpetrators out there," he said. "You can't hide. There are penalties nowadays and we're making the changes."

The Crown had asked the trial judge to impose a six-year sentence, while James' lawyer called for a conditional sentence with no jail time.

Although the judge said Holt and Fleury were essentially trapped and subjected to "degrading and humiliating" assaults, she said James expressed remorse, apologized to his victims and has experienced "an extreme degree of humiliation" — factors that warranted a reduction in his sentence. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Remembering the Titanic in Halifax

Deborah Franklin of Midland, Texas, one of 440 passengers on the cruise ship Azamara Journey, walks through Fairview Lawn Cemetery in Halifax. The cruise ship docked in Halifax Thursday as part of its voyage to the ocean grave of the ill-fated Titanic, to mark the 100th anniversary of the ship's sinking, on April 15, 1912. The cemetery is where 121 victims of the Titanic disaster are buried, many in unmarked graves. PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO IN HALIFAX

In Mexican jail. Government no help, says woman's family

Nearly five months after she was placed behind bars in Mexico, the family of Cynthia Vanier says it's hard to stay positive when Canada has done so little to help one of its own citizens.

Vanier, who is from Mount Forest, Ont., is charged in Mexico for allegedly trying to smuggle late Libyan dictator Moammar Gadhafi's son into the country. She was arrested in November and charged in February.

For her husband and her parents, the last five months have been a nightmare.

"We always thought that Canada would stand up for their citizens, particularly when they haven't been proven guilty of anything," Vanier's father John MacDonald told The Canadian Press.

Wants action

"What help the Canadian government has been? None."

John MacDonald, father of Cynthia Vanier

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird defended the Canadian government's response to the Vanier case during an appearance in Washington on Thursday.

"Ms. Vanier faces serious charges.... Just because you're a Canadian, we can't pick up the phone and call the Mexican government and say: 'Yeah, this is a Canadian, she clearly didn't do it, can you please send her home,'" Baird said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

North Korea. Regime admits long-range rocket launch failed

North Korea's much-anticipated rocket launch ended quickly in failure early Friday, splintering into pieces over the Yellow Sea soon after takeoff.

North Korea acknowledged in an announcement broadcast on state TV that a satellite launched hours earlier from the west coast failed to enter into orbit. The U.S. and South Korea also declared the launch a failure.

The Kwangmyongsong-3 satellite was fired from the Sohae Satellite Launching Station in Tongchang-ri along the west coast at 7:38 a.m. local time, but failed to reach orbit, the state-run Korean Central News Agency said. "Scientists, technicians and experts are now looking into the cause of the failure," KCNA said.

U.S. and South Korean officials said hours earlier that the rocket splintered into pieces about a minute after liftoff over the Yellow Sea, calling it a provocative failed test of missile technology.

In response to the launch, Washington announced it was suspending plans to contribute food aid to the North in exchange for a rollback of its nuclear programs.

The U.S., Japan, Britain and others had been urging North Korea to cancel a launch seen as a covert test of the rocket technology also used to send a long-range missile to strike the U.S.

The rocket failure is a major embarrassment for Pyongyang, which has invited international journalists to observe the launch. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

1,300 jobs

Cuts a threat to security, says union

The Conservatives' tough-on-crime agenda is weakened by federal budget cuts, the union representing border guards said Thursday.

Union officials say chopping $143 million from the Canada Border Services Agency budget over the next three years will hamper its ability to catch child pornography, drugs and terrorists at the border.

The cuts represent over 1,300 jobs, including intelligence officers and frontline agents, the union said.

"I don't know if you're going to be able to see that, but certainly it's going to be less safe," said union president Jean Pierre Fortin.

A spokeswoman for Public Safety Minister Vic Toews says the government is trying to make the border more efficient. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Edmonton

Man in hospital after police Taser incident

Edmonton police say a man they had in custody is in hospital after officers zapped him with a Taser electronic stun gun.

Police did not release the extent of the man's injuries, but media reports say the man is in a coma on life support and at one point stopped breathing with no detectable heartbeat.

Police say the man was zapped with a Taser Wednesday during a struggle with officers in a detainee-management unit.

Edmonton homicide detectives are investigating under the supervision of the Alberta Serious Incident Response Team.

Tasers have been linked to the deaths of more than 25 people in Canada, but the U.S. company that makes them says they have never directly been proven to have caused a death in Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Muzzle. Free-speech group announces award winners

The Thomas Jefferson Centre for the Protection of Free Expression announced its "Muzzle" awards Thursday.

The Charlottesville, Va. centre bestows the Muzzles annually to mark the April 13 birthday of its namesake, a free-speech advocate and the nation's third president.

Centre director Josh Wheeler says several of the 2012 winners earned their Muzzles for engaging in viewpoint censorship, which the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution prohibits.

Florida Gov. Rick Scott and the state's legislature won its Muzzle for adopting a National Rifle Association-backed law that largely prohibits physicians from asking patients about firearms in their homes or discussing gun safety.

The U.S. State Department won a Muzzle for disinviting a Palestinian political cartoonist from a government-sponsored conference that was to highlight, ironically enough, the importance of free speech and freedom of the press.

A professor at Sam Houston State University in Texas was cited for cutting the "f-word" from a university-approved "free-speech wall," on which students were invited to express themselves by writing on the wall's parchment paper.

A full list can be found at the website of the Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression at tjcenter.org.

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Virus

U.S. child gets swine flu

U.S. officials are reporting a new case of human infection with a swine-origin H3N2 flu virus. The case is in a child in Utah who had exposure to pigs.

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Bomb squad

Bomb scare in N.Y.

A toy grenade was to blame for an evacuation Thursday at a building near New York's Ground Zero, authorities said. The police bomb squad was called to 2 World Financial Center.

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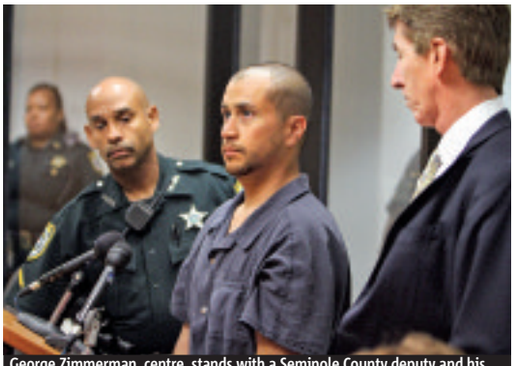
Zimmerman appears in court on murder charge

On trial. Man accused of second-degree murder in fatal shooting of teenager Trayvon Martin



George Zimmerman, centre, stands with a Seminole County deputy and his attorney, Mark O'Mara, during a court hearing on Thursday in Sanford, Fla.

GARY W. GREEN/ ORLANDO SENTINEL, POOL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Neighbourhood-watch volunteer George Zimmerman made his first court appearance Thursday on a second-degree murder charge in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin.

His hair was shaved down to stubble and he had a thin goatee, which appeared consistent with his booking photo from the day before.

He had resurfaced Wednesday to turn himself in after weeks in hiding.

Judge Mark E. Herr said he found probable cause to move ahead with the case and that an arraignment would be held on May 29 before another judge.

The prosecutors must prove Zimmerman's shooting of Martin was rooted in hatred or ill will and counter his claims that he shot Martin to protect himself while patrolling his gated community in the Orlando suburb of Sanford.

Zimmerman's lawyers would only have to prove by a preponderance of evidence — a relatively low legal standard — that he acted in self-defence at a pre-trial hearing to prevent the case from going to trial.

Martin's parents expressed relief over the decision to prosecute the person who shot their son.

"The question I would really like to ask him is, if he could look into Trayvon's eyes and see how innocent he was, would he have then pulled the trigger? Or would he have just let him go on home?" said his father, Tracy Martin.

Many attorneys said they had expected the prosecutor to opt for the lesser charge of manslaughter. The most severe homicide charge, first-degree murder, is subject to the death penalty in Florida and requires premeditation — something all sides agreed was not present in this case.

"I predicted manslaughter, so I'm a little surprised," said Michael Seigel, a former federal prosecutor who now teaches law at the University of Florida. "But she has more facts than I do."

Mark O'Mara, Zimmerman's attorney, said his client would plead not guilty and invoke Florida's so-called "stand your ground" law, which gives people wide latitude to use deadly force rather than retreat during a fight.

The confrontation took place in a gated community where Martin was staying with his father and his father's fiancée. Martin was walking back in the rain from a convenience store when Zimmerman spotted him and called police. He followed the teenager despite being told not to by a police dispatcher and a struggle ensued. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Cash crunch. Royal Bank opting to raise some fees

As debt-heavy Canadians become more cautious about borrowing, the banks are looking to higher fees to make up the shortfall.

Royal Bank, Canada's largest bank, is the latest to announce it is raising a number of fees, including the rate it charges for credit-card cash advances.

The new fees, which affect everything from personal banking to business accounts, become effective June 1, RBC said in a brochure mailed to clients.

The move reflects the increased costs of doing business, the bank said.

RBC said its clients can reduce their banking fees by using online banking and ATMs and also by picking the service package that best suits their needs. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

New fees

- RBC's Signature No Limit Banking account fees will rise to $14.95 a month from $13.95.
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Walmart Canada to take on discount competition

Shelley Broader, president and CEO of Walmart Canada, speaks to media in Toronto on Thursday. AARON VINCENT ELKAIM/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shopping wars. Retail giant also planning Canadian store expansion in advance of Target's arrival early next year

More products for $1 are coming to Walmart Canada as the retailer takes on dollar stores, Target and the country's biggest grocers in a strategy to win a larger share of the domestic retail market.

Executives from the company met with analysts and the media in Toronto on Thursday to discuss its answer to the entry of U.S. rival Target and an expansion by Canadian dollar-store operator Dollarama.

One-stop shop

"The idea of getting most of your needs met in one spot becomes incredibly important."
Walmart Canada president Shelley Broader

The plan includes lowering the prices of more items to about a loonie, said Shelley Broader, the retail giant's Canadian president and CEO.

"That's in direct reaction to what our customers need and want, but it happens to be a nice method of competing against the dollar stores," she said.

Walmart's supercentres aim to do exactly that, offering customers deals on everything from dish towels to dry-cleaning services. The price reductions are part of a strategy of "cementing ourselves in the minds and hearts of Canadians as one-stop shopping," said Broader.

Solidifying that stance is particularly crucial right now because so many other retailers are fighting for the same consumer market.

Dollarama has been encroaching on the discount retailer's low-priced territory in recent months, expanding its products beyond small items worth a loonie. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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ARE YOU KIDNEY-ING ME? HE SOLD WHAT FOR AN IPAD?

THE LIST
Paul Sullivan
Metro

Hey, kids! Gather around your infotainment-dispensing device, because it's time for the ever-popular Metro List …

1 **Life after Hogwarts:** Now that she's safely rescued Harry Potter from Lord Voldemort's clutches and earned a billion dollars in the process, former single-mum-on-welfare J.K. Rowling has announced her next novel, called The Casual Vacancy, will be targeted at adults. It's about an election that tears a deceptively peaceful village apart. Kind of like the Triwizard Tournament after the magic has gone.

2 **iDialysis?:** A teenager in China sells one of his kidneys to an unscrupulous organ broker for the equivalent of $3,400 so he can buy an iPad 2. His parents don't even know about it until his mother asks him where he got the iPad and he has to 'fess up. Now he's suffering from complications and the unscrupulous brokers are long gone. He should have held out for an iPad 3, at least.

3 **Where's the Gipper when we need him?:** Rick Santorum finally gave up on his presidential hopes this week, leaving Mitt Romney an open path for the nomination. So after the GOP has desperately tried to nominate anybody but Mitt for the better part of a decade, the next Republican nominee for president of the United States will be: Mitt. Deja voodoo.

4 **NHL playoffs begin:** The L.A. Kings defeat Vancouver in Game 1 and then someone in the Kings organization sends a smoking tweet to the rest of Canada: "You're welcome." Where's the love? I thought we were all Canucks?

5 **Ding-dong:** The gun registry is dead. Yee-haw! We'll be able to buy a weapon of mass destruction without being included in a federal database. Now if we can just get Ottawa to ban the income-tax database, we're talkin' real freedom.

6 **Speaking of Vancouver:** The Real Housewives of Vancouver: 1.2-million people watched the opening episode. Well, no wonder: One of the "housewives" washes her face in whale sperm and diamond dust. Who wouldn't want to watch that?

7 **More evidence the end is near:** Britannica stops publishing the print edition, putting the five remaining door-to-door encyclopedia salesman on Earth out of work. How do I know that? I looked it up on Wikipedia, a usually reliable source.

8 **Silver surfers:** The Beach Boys celebrate their 50th anniversary by singing Surfer Girl at the home opener at Dodger Stadium on Tuesday. Help Me Rhonda, I've fallen and I can't get up …

The Beach Boys spread Good Vibrations on opening day at Dodger Stadium, where the Los Angeles Dodgers played the Pittsburgh Pirates on Tuesday in Los Angeles. The Beach Boys are celebrating their 50th anniversary.
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Real-life 'Spider-Man'

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Climb

Frenchman scales buildings without rope or harness

Alain Robert, who has been dubbed the "French Spider-Man," climbs 300 metres up the Torch hotel in Doha, Qatar, on Thursday. Robert, who has been scaling tall buildings since the age of seven, took 75 minutes to complete his first climb in Qatar. The hotel was built for the 2006 Asian Games in the shape of an Olympic torch.
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A kid again

"I feel like a child and I finally want to open my present: I want to climb the Torch."
Alain Robert

Alain Robert
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25% YES, BOY BAND HEAVEN!

Twitter

@BrynnHarris: @JohnGormleyLive Why don't ppl in Saskatoon signal? Like..I've gotten to the point where I just laugh in frustration. Wth John?? WHY! lol

@BradMorden: @Koyczan I caught a ride this morning in Winnipeg, looks like I'll make it to Saskatoon for the show!

@KennyWTHI: Hoping @TheRedThreat and @tensecondepic have a killer show tonight in Saskatoon. I work tonight, so dont miss my singing too much!

@EricLefol: Saskatoon Cycles Social @ 6:30pm tonight at Amigos. Come and share your stories on biking in Saskatoon

@jeffdotca: Good to see @MarkHorseman out to hear @TonyclementCPC at an #NSBA #yxe event!

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Lockout isn't winning any critical acclaim from the Reel Guys, but it'll leave you grinning. HANDOUT

Lockout a solid 'B' effort

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Cranked-up camp.

Action flick is a good time if you can look past the silly dialogue, '90s era special effects

Richard: Mark, I had a good time at Lockout even though I'll be the first to admit it isn't a very good movie. The special effects look like rejects from 1997, the tough-guy dialogue sounds like Bruce Willis castoffs and it's not nearly as violent as I would have expected it to be, but I sat there with a grin on my face. How is this possible? Perhaps it reminded me of those cheeseball direct-to-DVD Dolph Lundgren movies I used to watch when I rented everything at the video store.

Mark: The movie has one great thing going for it: the ace wisecracks delivered by Guy Pearce with impeccable sang-froid. The only problem is that he's so funny it undercuts any of the supposed action sequences. And did you notice the similarities to John Carpenter's Escape From New York? When Maggie Grace cuts her hair and dyes it black she even looked like Adrienne Barbeau!

RC: That is, I think, what I loved about the movie. It seems like a time capsule from another time. It has its flaws — like being set in 2079 and yet making contemporary references like Prince, John Wayne and global warming — but the old school-ness of it is appealing. It's not a remake, or a reboot but it feels familiar nonetheless.

MB: I thought it was wonderfully lazy filmmaking that in the future the iPhone was exactly the same, as were the guns and clothing. It's a B movie to be sure. But it has its pleasures. I enjoyed the over-the-top performance of no-name actor Joseph Gilgun as an unhinged convict. It's the part Giovanni Ribisi was born to play, if the movie had a budget.

RC: Exactly! I thought he was an excellent bad guy except I felt like I needed a translator to explain his HEAVY brogue to me. I certainly caught the gist of what he was saying but often the actual words were lost on me. Perhaps mumbled, accented dialogue is the new cool thing. Apparently Bane in The Dark Knight Rises is impossible to understand as well, but I like a bit more clarity from my bad guys.

MB: Richard, maybe incomprehensibility is the new scary. All those werewolves and zombies have set the bar pretty high for inarticulate rage. After all, you can't reason with someone you can't understand.

Synopsis

Guy Pearce is Snow, a highly skilled mercenary wrongly accused of espionage. To earn his freedom he agrees to rescue the president's daughter, Emilie Warnock (Maggie Grace), who is being held captive by rioting inmates at an outer space maximum-security prison. That's right, the prison is in OUTER SPACE!

- Richard: ●●●○○
- Mark: ●●○○○

2 SCENE

Scene in brief

J.K. Rowling set to release book for adults

She may not be able to match the phenomenal success of the Harry Potter series, but J.K. Rowling has high hopes for The Casual Vacancy, her first novel for adults. The title was announced Thursday by Little, Brown & Co. along with a brief plot synopsis for the book. The publisher said it will be available worldwide on Sept. 27. The effort will mark Rowling's first post-Potter effort. The new book, aimed at a grown-up audience, will be set in a seemingly idyllic English town called Pagford.

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On the web

Acclaimed writer William Boyd seeks to return to 'classic Bond' for next 007 novel

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Horror

Cabin in the Woods

Director. Drew Goddard

Stars. Richard Jenkins, Chris Hemsworth

Cabin in the Woods probably isn't the movie you think it is. The audacious high-concept thriller marks the directorial debut of Cloverfield writer Drew Goddard who takes the horror stereotype and brilliantly flips it. Though the premise of co-eds heading out to the woods and inadvertently uncovering zombies seems familiar, it's only a ploy. To reveal more would spoil the surprise. Instead, just enjoy the madness of this masterpiece.

STEVE GOW

Comedy

The Three Stooges

Directors. Bobby Farrelly, Peter Farrelly

Stars. Chris Diamantopoulos, Sean Hayes

If there's one film with a built-in audience, it's The Three Stooges. They're so cherished by the Farrelly Brothers, the filmmaking siblings crafted a straight-up reimagining of the legendary comic trio. While the performances are bang-on, the three-episode arc and story is so slight, it can hardly be considered a plot. Still, if three knuckleheads poking each other in the eyes to cartoonish sound-effects cracks you up, this is cinematic gold.

STEVE GOW

Cabaret. Stars celebrate the restoration of a beloved cinema classic

It took a stray bit of dirt to scratch the perfection of Cabaret, and painstaking effort to return it to cinematic glory.

The restored Cabaret, minus damage that had prevented a high-definition version, earned the opening spot at the four-day TCM Classic Film Festival in Hollywood. Stars Liza Minnelli and Joel Grey were scheduled to attend Thursday's ceremony marking the musical's 40th anniversary. Minnelli, whose turn as cabaret singer Sally Bowles captured a best actress Academy Award and cemented her young stardom, said making Cabaret was a joyful "secret," filmed in Munich and far away from meddling Los Angeles studio bosses.

Director Bob Fosse "got away with murder. We all did," Minnelli said in a recent phone call from New York. She's on a concert tour, Confessions, based on her album of the same title. "We'd take chances, and the studio would send notes like, 'Too cloudy. It will break up on drive-in (screens),'" she recalled. "Fosse would read that out loud, tear it up and throw it over his shoulder — in front of the whole cast and crew."

Liza Minnelli won a best actress Academy Award for Cabaret. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Set in 1930s Berlin, with German life darkening under the Nazi Party's rise, the film was based on the 1966 Broadway musical adapted from Christopher Isherwood's short novels. Michael York starred as Sally's boyfriend and Helmut Griem played the wealthy lover shared by both in a then-rare movie depiction of bisexuality. Fosse's distinctive, archly suggestive choreography defined the film's candour and cynicism.

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Quoted

"We're not trying to be cagey... We're just trying to protect the experience because so much of Cabin is about the experience that happens when you're in the audience with all of these people feeling the screams and the cheers and the laughs and feeling the ride."

Writer-director Drew Goddard on not giving away too much about his new film, Cabin in the Woods.

Chimpanzee follows the tale of little Oscar as he learns to survive without his mother. HANDOUT

Chimpan-see, chimpan-do

Chimpanzee. Jane Goodall hopes new film will spark children's interest in animals and nature

LIZ BROWN
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Being in the presence of Jane Goodall, it's easy to become inspired to embark on some kind of save-the-world project.

After all, Goodall — a woman who set out to study animals in Africa in 1960, when she was just 26 years old — has turned a childhood obsession with animals into a world-renowned career studying chimpanzees, and a global conservation institute bearing her name.

"When I was a little girl of 10 … I fell in love with Tarzan and was furiously jealous when he married that other Jane," she jokes while in Toronto, helping Disney promote its film Chimpanzee, which opens next Friday. Chimpanzee follows the true story of an orphaned chimp named Oscar.

While Goodall was not directly involved with the production of the film, she knew the crew. "I think the amazing thing about this film is that we know Disney, we know Bambi, and this film itself ... might have been scripted by somebody doing a chimpanzee Bambi."

But the storyline was anything but scripted. In fact, the initial plan was to follow the life of a chimp — who the crew named Oscar — and observe him develop in his community. When Oscar's mother suddenly died, the crew panicked. "They thought the whole film was destroyed … [that they had] wasted six months filming a chimp who's [all but] dead," said Goodall.

Lucky for Oscar (and the film crew), the top-ranking male in the group of chimps was a bit of a softie under his gruff exterior and took the young chimp under his care. "I cannot believe how this all unravelled" says Goodall.

Today, between being a UN messenger of peace and educating the world about the plight of chimpanzees, Goodall, 78, spends 300 days of the year on the road, raising awareness about conservation issues.

Goodall has also helped develop a program called Roots & Shoots that now has thousands of young members in over 130 countries. Through this program, young people are encouraged to take on grassroots conservation projects. "Children are getting more and more divorced from nature," says Goodall. "How can you protect something if you don't understand?"

Goodall says that films like Chimpanzee are a first step in educating children about nature.

"Films like this help kids understand that there are creatures out there who are so like us and hopefully children will come away thinking about that and thinking about little Oscar as though he's a cousin."

Anthropomorphism

Human-like?

Anthropomorphism is giving human characteristics to animals, something that Goodall has been criticized for in her chimpanzee study. "What really peeved me was that scientists were ready to take a chimpanzee because biologically they're so like us, sharing 99 per cent of our DNA and … subject them to all kinds of nasty medical procedures ...," she says.

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The Artist (G) Sun 7 Mon 9:15 Wed 9:30
Iranian Taboo (STC) Thu 7
Miss Bala (14A) Sun 9 Mon 7 Thu 9
No Films Showing Today (STC) Fri-Sat Tue

Cineplex Odeon Centre
3510 8th St. East, 306-955-1938

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:30-7:10-9:50 Mon-Wed 5:20-8 Thu 1:10-5:20-8
American Reunion (18A) Fri-Sat 12:40-3:20-7:30-10:15 Sun 12:40-3:20-7:30-10:05 Mon-Wed 5:40-8:15 Thu 1:20-5:40-8:15
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 1:20-4
The Hunger Games (PG) Fri-Sun 12:20-3:40-6:50-10 Mon-Thu 4:50-8
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri-Sun 1-3:50-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 5-7:40
The Three Stooges (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-7:20-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 5:30-7:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
The Vow (PG) Fri-Sun 7-9:30 Mon-Wed 5:10-7:40 Thu 1:20-5:10-7:40
Wrath of the Titans 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:10-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:40

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21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 2:05-4:40-7:20-10:05 Mon-Thu 7:20-10:05
American Reunion (18A) Fri 1:30-2-4:15-4:45-6:55-7:25-9:45-10:15 Sat 11:20-1:30-2-4:15-4:45-6:55-7:25-9:45-10:15 Sun 1:30-2-4:15-4:45-6:55-7:25-9:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 7-7:30-9:45-10:15
Breakfast at Tiffany's (STC) Wed 7
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:15-5:40-8-10:20 Mon-Thu 7:45-10
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The Great Muppet Caper (G) Sat 11
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Lockout (14A) Fri-Sun 12:25-2:45-5:05-7:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 7:05-9:40
The Metropolitan Opera: La Traviata - Live (STC) Sat 10:55
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri 2:35-5:10-7:45 Sat 11:15-2:35-5:10-7:45 Sun 2:35-5:10-7:45 Mon-Tue 6:55 Thu 6:55
The Raid: Redemption (18A) Fri-Sun 10:20 Mon-Thu 9:35
The Three Stooges (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:50-3:10-5:30-7:55-10:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 8-10:10
Titanic 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 12:45-4:45-8:45 Mon-Thu 8:45
Wrath of the Titans 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8:05-10:30 Mon-Thu 7:35-9:55

Roxy Theatre
320 20th St West, 306-955-8642

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Mirza: The Untold Story (14A) Fri 9:15 Sat 3:15-9:15 Sun 9:15
A Separation (G) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 3:30-7 Mon-Thu 7
W.E. (PG) Fri 9:20 Sat 1-9:20 Sun-Thu 9:20

Rainbow Cinemas Saskatoon
The Centre at Circle & 8th, 306-955-8642

Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G) Fri-Thu 2-4:40-7:25
Big Miracle (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-7:20
The Descendants (PG) Fri-Thu 3:50-9:40
Goon (18A) Fri-Thu 10
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:30-9:45
Project X (18A) Fri-Thu 7:10-9:55
Safe House (PG) Fri 12:50-6:50 Sat 6:50 Sun-Thu 12:50-6:50
The Secret World of Arrietty (G) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:30
Silent House (14A) Fri-Thu 4:10-9:25
This Means War (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:30
We Bought a Zoo (PG) Fri 1:10-4:05-7:05-9:50 Sat 1:10-4:05-9:50 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:05-7:05-9:50

Guns N' Roses back to the jungle?

International music. Classic rock band set to be inducted into Hall of Fame as lead member pans the invite entirely

PAT HEALY
Metro World News

No awards please

Thanks but no thanks for that award

- **Letter.** In a 1,000-plus word open letter to the Los Angeles Times, Guns N' Roses singer Axl Rose has said he will not be attending Saturday's event, nor does he even want to be inducted. Visit metronews.ca/scene to read the letter. You can also read an excerpt from the letter on the Dish page.

Guns N' Roses is known for its inter-band civil wars as much as the classic music its members made together.

It has counted as many as 21 people as official players through the 27-year history of the group, but many rock fans are penning open letters across the web for a reunion of the band whose members were once so well known as individuals that they had their own mass-produced pinball machine.

They are also well known for their cynical approach to press — so when Metro caught up with keyboardist Dizzy Reed, who joined the band in the early '90s, shortly before the Use Your Illusion albums, he played it predictably close to the vest when asked about the upcoming proceedings.

So what do you know about the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame?
Rock and Roll Hall of Fame? Um, it's in Cleveland.

Do you know what's going to happen with the induction into the Hall? There are rumours there will be a reunion of the original lineup.
I haven't gotten any details. I spoke with the people of that institution.

They gave me a call and told me to mark it on the calendar, to be there. As far as the details of what's going to happen, I haven't received any sort of itinerary or schedule. It's something I'm just trying not to think about until it gets closer. It's not that I don't appreciate it. It's a great thing, and it's great for all the people who supported the band over the years.

I understand that you're still friends with everybody who has been in the band through the years, is that right?
Friendly, I'd say. I haven't talked to a couple of the guys at all since they left. But Duff [McKagan, original bassist] got up and jammed with us in Seattle and Vancouver last year.

And you've been immortalized, by making it onto the Guns N' Roses pinball machine as well ...
Yes I did. I'm on the pinball machine, and I can't remember what it was that triggers it, but you can get the Dizzy ball, and it starts going crazy and you can score a whole bunch of points.

I think it was patterned after me after too many vodkas or something.

Guns N' Roses will be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame on Saturday. NOUSHA SALIMI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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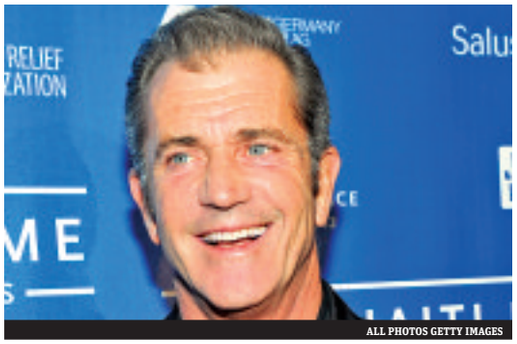

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Did Gibson put a hit out on ex-girlfriend?

Mel Gibson still has a lot of anger toward ex-girlfriend Oksana Grigorieva — and has threatened to have her killed, according to a nine-page letter from screenwriter Joe Eszterhas to Gibson that was leaked to the Wrap.

"'I want that c---- gone!' you screamed," Eszterhas recounts in the letter.

"'I'm going to get rid of her. No one will ever know! I'm not going to live this way the rest of my life! She's poisoning (my daughter) against me! She is evil! They worship the devil where she came from. She's going to disappear! Gone!'" Eszterhas also contends in the letter that the project they were collaborating on, The Maccabees, was scrapped because of Gibson's anti-Semitism.

"I've come to the conclusion that the reason you won't make The Maccabees is the ugliest possible one. You hate Jews," he writes. Gibson has responded with his own letter to Eszterhas, leaked to Deadline: "I will acknowledge like most creative people I am passionate and intense," Gibson writes, but counters that "the decision not to proceed with you was based on the quality of your script, not on any other factor."

Marc Anthony

Anthony files for divorce

After separating from wife Jennifer Lopez last July, Marc Anthony has finally made it official by filing for divorce, citing "irreconcilable differences," according to Hollyscoop.

Anthony is reportedly seeking joint legal and physical custody of their four-year-old twins, Max and Emma, and Anthony does not want to provide Lopez with any spousal support. The filing reportedly mandates that both parties pay their own legal fees as well.

METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Not quite a bed of Roses

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Following speculation that there would be a reunion of the original lineup of Guns N' Roses at the band's induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame on Saturday, Axl Rose fired off an open letter to the Los Angeles Times, saying in no uncertain terms that not only was a reunion out of the question, but he doesn't even want to be inducted.

"I respectfully decline my induction as a member of Guns N' Roses to the Rock and Roll Hall Of Fame," he wrote in the 1,000-plus word letter. He then went on to "strongly request" that he not be inducted in absentia.

"Please know that no one is authorized nor may anyone be permitted to accept any induction for me or speak on my behalf."

OK, that certainly sounds like he's taking his ball and going home, doesn't it?

"No one's taking the ball and going home. Don't get it twisted," he wrote.

Oops, I guess we jumped the Gun there.

Rose's letter goes on to rant about the greed of the music industry, the irresponsibility of the media (hey, we retracted our ball-and-going-home allegation) and sincerely thanks the Hall of Fame and fans.

What it boils down to, "This decision is personal," he said,

It's only hard to begrudge Rose's decision because that original lineup not only sounded great, but there really hasn't been a cooler-looking group of dudes playing hard rock since the original lineup.

OK, maybe Velvet Revolver looked as cool, because Slash played in that band too, but they had no Paradise City.

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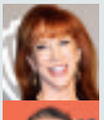

@kathygriffin
good God It's great that these celebs r so committed to doing DWTS, but going to the hospital? WTF? How bout just a nice hokey pokey, people?

@ActuallyNPH
I adore Amy Sedaris. Just watched her as the Tooth Fairy on Yo Gabba Gabba. She's maybe the coolest chick around. That's all.

@russellcrowe
200 m in the pool, not much, between singing lessons, the boys and the rain it was all I could do

@DannyDeVito
Quick showers shut lights off when you leave filter your tap water plastic bottles yuck Good morning healthy planet! Party Fri & Sat NODUIS!

Britney Spears

Spears on X-Factor: Report

Britney Spears is reportedly close to a deal to join the U.S. version of The X Factor as a judge, according to Entertainment Weekly.

Though the singer is said to have passed on a previous $10 million offer, negotiations have reportedly brought the price up to $15 million.

Spears would join the televised singing competition in the fall, settling in next to fellow judges L.A. Reid and Simon Cowell, who is also an executive producer.

A mother's love

Salma Hayek admits she was considering an end to her acting career after the birth of her daughter.

"At the time, I was thinking, I can do another movie that may or may not work, or I can be with my child, nourish her, and not miss a moment of this precious time," Hayek tells Marie Claire.

"And if my career is going to end in two years, what's the difference, anyway?"

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This recipe makes one loaf, about 16 slices. ISTOCK

Go b-a-n-a-n-a-s over this vanilla-flavoured loaf

Banana Loaf. The hint of vanilla will keep you coming back for more

DINNER EXPRESS
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Banana loaf is perfect for an afternoon snack or part of your morning breakfast.

Warm it in the microwave for a fresh out of the oven taste then use it the next day for a very tasty french toast!

1. In a bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder and salt. Then set these ingredients aside.

2. In a large bowl, beat the butter and sugar until fluffy. Beat in eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in vanilla. Stir in mashed bananas and sour cream. Add flour mixture to banana mixture and stir to moisten. Add walnuts if using and stir to combine.

3. Scrape into 8 x 4 inch (1.5 L) loaf pan and bake in 350 F (180 C) oven for about 1 hour or until tester inserted in centre comes out clean.

4. Let cool in pan on rack. Remove from pan and let cool completely on rack.

Tips

- **Flour.** If you don't have both all purpose and whole wheat flours, simply use one throughout the recipe. You can also try the nutri-blend flour that has added bran.
- **Storage.** Wrap loaf whole or in quarters in plastic wrap and in heavy-duty foil, and freeze up to two weeks. Wrap loaf in plastic wrap and keep at room temperature for up to three days.

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Ingredients

- 1 cup (250 mL) all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup (175 mL) whole wheat flour
- 2 tsp (10 mL) baking powder
- Pinch of salt
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) butter, softened
- 3/4 cup (175 mL) granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp (5 mL) vanilla
- 2 very ripe bananas, mashed
- 3/4 cup (175 mL) sour cream
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) toasted chopped walnuts (optional)

This recipe makes six slices. EMILY RICHARDS

Banana Bread French Toast & Raspberry Maple Syrup. Breakfast twist

1. Raspberry Maple Sauce: In saucepan, bring raspberries and maple syrup to a gentle boil over medium high heat, stirring often.

2. In bowl, whisk the cornstarch with 1 tsp (5 mL) of water. Stir into raspberry mix and return to boil. Boil for 1 minute or until thickened. Remove from heat and keep warm.

3. In shallow dish, whisk eggs, milk and cinnamon. Dip banana bread slices into mixture to coat evenly. Place on lightly greased nonstick skillet or griddle over medium high heat and cook for about 3 minutes or until golden and turn over. Cook for about 4 minutes or until golden. Repeat with remaining banana bread and egg mixture.

4. Serve banana bread french toast with Raspberry Maple Sauce and dust with icing sugar.

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Ingredients

- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) milk
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) ground cinnamon
- 6 slices banana bread (about 1/2 inch (1 cm) thick), see recipe above
- Icing sugar

Raspberry Maple Sauce:

- 2 cups (500 mL) frozen raspberries
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) pure maple syrup
- 1 tsp (5 mL) cornstarch

Liquid Assets

Hitting hot spots in the wine world

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Even though I've been to amazing places around the wine world, I'm still surprised at the number of obvious hot spots I've never seen in real life.

While travelling in Northern Italy this week, I finally found myself in Piedmont — home of high fashion, truffles and wines made with the nebbiolo grape. Sadly, nebbiolo rarely comes cheap with its two most famous offspring — the vino from Barolo and Barbaresco — commanding prices that start somewhere around $40 a bottle.

That isn't to say you can't drink Piedmont on a budget. Though growing in nebbiolo's shadow, barbera is the third most cultivated grape in Italy. Barbera typically produces balanced, fruit-driven wines with vineyards in the Piedmontese sub-regions of Asti and Alba, its preferred geography.

Though Asti is the same place the famous sweet sparkling wine comes from, Bersano's 2009 Costalunga Barbera d'Asti ($11.95 - $14.99) is a full-bodied, yet seductive red that, while nowhere near the weight of a Barolo, still commands a dark fruited presence in the glass.

I love this style of wine with earthier pasta sauces.

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Superfood

Bananas to stay strong

Bananas are a great source of energy and their high potassium content helps to maintain regular blood pressure and heart function as well as bone strength.

They also contain the amino acid tryptophan, essential in helping the body produce serotonin.

Known as the brain's very own sedative, serotonin has a calming effect on the brain and consequently helps to regulate mood.

ROMINA MCGUINESS/ METRO WORLD NEWS

On the web

Home apple growers consider going organic

4 SPORTS

Quoted

"We don't have the personnel to get back at Weber so we might as well get on with that."

Detroit coach Mike Babcock, who says he has worked out any ill feelings over Nashville defenceman Shea Weber being fined for slamming Henrik Zetterberg's head into the glass at the end of Game 1. A hard-fought series was expected between these Central Division teams separated by only two points over the 82-game regular season, and the Predators stoked the rivalry Wednesday with a 3-2 win marked by 17 combined penalties between the NHL's least-penalized teams.

"We're not taking penalties tomorrow."

Mike Babcock

On the web

Kurt Angle, who won wrestling gold in Atlanta in 1996 before becoming famous in WWE, was forced to end his improbable attempt to make the U.S. team for the London Olympics due to a string of injuries. Scan the code for the story.

The Bruins' Tim Thomas stops a shot by the Capitals' Nicklas Backstrom in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference quarter-finals Thursday in Boston. ELSA/GETTY IMAGES

Boston wins in OT

NHL. Bruins beat the Capitals for first win in quest to become repeat champions

Game 1

Bruins	Capitals
1	0

Chris Kelly's newest piece of jewelry is a thick, padlocked chain that he wore around his neck after scoring the game-winning goal in Boston's playoff opener on Thursday night.

The message: Try not to be the weak link.

"He wasn't," Bruins goalie Tim Thomas said after Kelly's goal on a long slapshot 1:18 into overtime gave the defending Stanley Cup champions a 1-0 victory over the Washington Capitals in Game 1 of their first-round playoff series.

"I had a good feeling that it was going to go in, and I had a good feeling about the guy who had the puck," said Thomas, the reigning Vezina and Conn Smythe Trophy winner. "I could tell he had something tonight. He'd been winging a few past me in practice the past few days."

Thomas stopped all 17 shots he faced for Boston to earn his sixth career playoff shutout — four of them on Boston's 2011 championship run.

But he was matched for three periods by Capitals goalie Braden Holtby, a third-stringer making his playoff debut because of injuries to Tomas Vokoun and Michal Neuvirth.

Washington star Alex Ovechkin consoled Holtby on the ice while the Bruins celebrated their first victory in their quest to become the first repeat Stanley Cup champions since the Detroit Red Wings in 1997-98.

Game 2 is Saturday at the TD Garden before the series moves to Washington for Games 3 and 4 on Monday and Thursday.

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Lucky match?

- The last two times these teams have met in the playoffs, the winner has gone on to reach the Stanley Cup finals.
- The Bruins made it in 1990, and the Capitals in 1998.

NHL

Rangers off to flying start against Senators

Marian Gaborik and Brian Boyle scored minutes apart in the second period to break open a tight game, and the top-seeded New York Rangers opened their first-round Eastern Conference series with a 4-2 victory over the Ottawa Senators on Thursday night.

The Rangers, the No. 1 seed in the East for the first time since they won the Stanley Cup in 1994, shook off their 1-2-1 regular-season mark against the Senators and easily dispatched them in Game 1.

Ryan Callahan scored in the first period, Gaborik and Boyle pushed the lead to 3-0, and Brad Richards added a goal in the third for the Rangers. New York will host the No. 8 Senators again on Saturday night.

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NHL

Brent Sutter out as Flames coach

The Calgary Flames are looking for a new coach.

Brent Sutter agreed to part ways with the NHL team after three seasons, according to a release from the Flames on Thursday.

The decision came after a meeting between Sutter and general manager Jay Feaster. Sutter's contract was due to expire at the end of June.

The Flames narrowly missed the playoffs in all three seasons under Sutter,

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Brent Sutter. RICH LAM/GETTY IMAGES

Sharks sink the Blues in double overtime

Antti Niemi makes a save against the St. Louis Blues Thursday in St. Louis, Mo. DILIP VISHWANAT/GETTY IMAGES

Martin Havlat scored his second goal of the game 3:34 into the second overtime, giving the San Jose Sharks a 3-2 victory over the St. Louis Blues in Game 1 of their playoff series Thursday night.

Andrew Desjardins tied it for San Jose with 5:16 in regulation, banging in a one-timer from the slot from Tommy Wingels, and Dan Boyle had two assists. Antti Niemi, who won a Stanley Cup with Chicago in 2010, made 40 saves.

Patrik Berglund scored his first two career playoff goals in the third period for the Blues, the No. 2 seed in the Western Conference.

St. Louis swept the regular season series 4-0 for the first time since 1994-95 and lost only six games in regulation at home during the regular season.

The Blues dropped the last two, however, to Phoenix and Columbus after clinching the Central Division.

While the Blues struggled at the finish of the regular season, going 4-4-3, the Sharks won four in a row and seven of nine.

Game 2

- Game 2 is Saturday night in St. Louis, and the Blues will be seeking their first post-season victory since 2004.

Havlat has scored 30 points in his last 29 playoff games, and put the Sharks up in the series. The Blues were in control most of the first overtime, reeling off nine shots in a row at one point.

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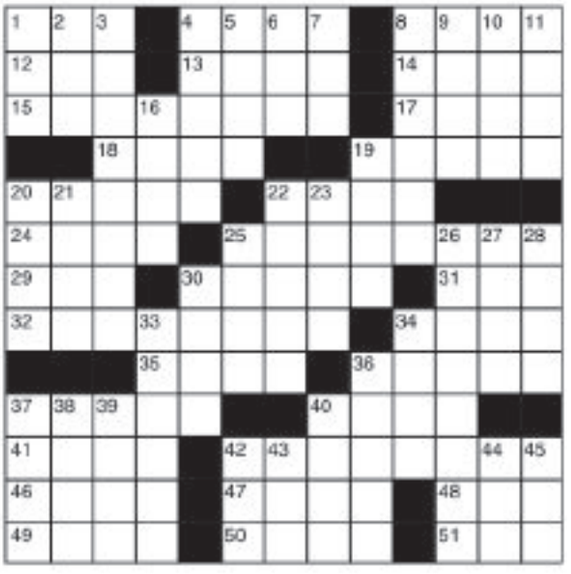
Crossword

Across

1 Ump
4 Spat
8 Walk of Fame emblem
12 Eggs
13 Lotion additive
14 Quasimodo's creator
15 Author Peter
17 Piccadilly statue
18 New Mexico art colony
19 Shabby
20 Polished
22 Bat a gnat
24 Being, to Brutus
25 TV host Peter
29 Island souvenir
30 Cobbler's supply
31 Halloween shout
32 Singer Peter
34 Machu Picchu's site
35 Normandy city
36 Attuned
37 Marshlike
40 Antitoxins
41 Bloodhound's clue
42 Late newsman Peter
46 1492 craft
47 "Zounds!"
48 Bill's partner
49 Recognized
50 Take-out phrase
51 Eternity

Down

1 Filch
2 Prior night
3 Disney classic
4 California-Nevada lake
5 Afflictions
6 Adversary
7 "SNL" alumna Tina
8 Scabbard
9 Swerve
10 Enthusiastic
11 Optimistic
16 Yogi Bear's home
19 Factor in Einstein's equation
20 "To thine own — be true"
21 Internet surfer
22 Beauty parlor
23 Small songbird
25 Speck
26 Temporary inactivity
27 Traditional tales
28 Stentorian
30 Fix, in a sense
33 Dr. Phil
34 Graceful young woman
36 Japanese fencing
37 Hit
38 Valhalla VIP
39 Vanished
40 Sweater woe
42 Lustrous black
43 Freudian concept
44 Sticky stuff
45 Heir, often



Sudoku

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			2	6				
		8				9	3	
			5		9			
	7	3				6		
				9	1			
4			6				7	
		7	4	8		3	2	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

8	4	3	9	2	6	7	1	5
2	7	6	5	1	4	3	9	8
1	9	5	3	7	8	6	2	4
5	6	8	1	9	2	4	7	3
4	3	1	7	6	5	9	8	2
9	2	7	4	8	3	5	6	1
6	5	9	2	4	1	8	3	7
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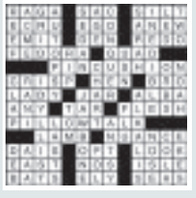
3	8	2	6	5	7	1	4	9

Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

U Y J G D V R U V K D I E I V E

D S U U B U S K V E B J J V G R S K J V Z M

O S S M J E Y O O O K S U J I B B T :

"E V K J V Z M E K G T B J O S K B X B K ."

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN A ROBOT IS VERY ABSORBED IN VIEWING SOMETHING, MIGHT ONE SAY ITS EYES ARE RIVETED?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: E equals T

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Horoscope

Aries | March 21 - April 20. It may be Friday the 13th but don't be afraid to take a few chances.

Taurus | April 21 - May 21. You may be short of self-belief at the moment but your confidence will soar when you realize there is little, if anything, to fear.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. Use the morning to get your thoughts together and make plans, then act quickly and decisively in the after noon hours.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Question everything you're told today — not just things that are suspect but even things you have no reason to be suspicious of.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. Being the nice guy you are, you tend to give people the benefit of the doubt. Today, don't risk your money on other people's promises.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. Do you knock off early or get as much work done as possible? Knuckle down now, then enjoy the weekend.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. Loved ones feel a little left out of things at the moment, so find out what it is they need from you and give it to them.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Some tasks can be safely ignored today and some tasks need to be dealt with straight away.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Don't come across too eager on the work front today because that will make you look desperate and put you at a disadvantage.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. Try not to let minor fears become major anxieties today. Be positive, and life will be positive too.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. You seem to believe a simple problem must have a complicated solution. Stand back from the situation and see it for what it really is.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. If you want to change your world for the better you have got to take action, and soon. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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"Umbrella or giant teacup? Wait... somewhere this is called fashion..." Kendra

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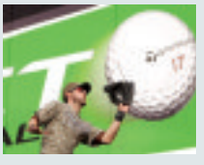

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